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Sir,

It is reported that General Yang received a code telegram on 22nd inst instructing him to dispatch as many field guns and rifles and as much ammunition as he can spare to Peking, as quickly as possible.

A code telegram has also been received by Admiral Liu instructing him to finish the construction as soon as possible of two river boats which are being made in Kiangnan dock.

It is reported that General Yang of Shanghai and General Tsu of Chekiang favour the anti-monarchists. It is said that they will declare independence as soon as Nanking goes over.

It is reported that none of the City Police are loyal, and that they intend to loot as soon as trouble starts.

It is reported that the rebels here intend to send circulars to all the Magistrates of this province warning them against sending money collected in taxes to Peking at the present time as they usually do on the approach of the Chinese new year.

It is reported that General Feng of Nanking has instructed Mr. Zee Koh Liang Chief of the Shanghai-Woosung Police to order all the newspapers published in the district under his control to date their papers according to the new monarchical calandar. The order must be obeyed within three days and the offices of newspapers failing to obey will be sealed up.

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It is reported that Mr. Yang Tcheng has received instructions from the Central Government to remain all the time in Shanghai and to take care that the rebels do not gain the sympathy of foreigners.

In consequence of a report that the rebels had bought four aeroplanes from the Japanese, General Yang has been instructed to be ready to cope with an aerial attack on the Arsenal or any other strategic point.

It is now reported in rebel circles that the rebels here will rise on 4th Prox.

A memorial service in honour of the two Constables, who lost their lives during the recent outbreak in Shanghai, was held in the Central Fire Station in the City yesterday. Several of the City officials and a large number of the City Police under their Chief Mr. Zee Kou Liang, were present.

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At 4.15 p.m.23rd inst a fire broke out in a dwelling house in Pay Yuen alleyway near the Kiangnan Arsenal. The blaze quickly spread to the adjoining houses thirty of which were gutted. The outbreak was caused through a bed curtain accidently catching fire.

Some members of the local German community staged a play in the Olympic theatre on Saturday night. The performance was attended by the German residents and their friends. It is reported that the profits will be used to assist German prisoners who escaped from Siberia.

Your Obedient Servant,

Chief Detective Inspector.

Captain Superintendent of Police.